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SOUTH CHINA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The Summer meeting of the South China Medical Association was to have been held at Cheung Chau (Dumbell Island) on the 27th and 28th July, but owing to a typhoon it was delayed until the 28th and 29th. Even then the attendance was considerably hindered since only fifteen out of thirty-seven of the active members were present.

This body is made up of representatives from nine Protestant missions and three independent medical missionaries. Dr. P. J. Todd, C. A. Hayes, and J. A. Hofmann were elected President, Vice-President, and Secretary, respectively. Other members present were: Messrs John Kirk, E. W. Kirk, Miss Kate McCreary, Miss Jean McCreary, Messrs McCracken, Macle and Ross.

An interesting paper was read by Mr. John Kirk on "Some thoughts relating to medical work in Canton, a retrospect and prospect." A most helpful paper on "Malaria" was presented by Mr. J. M. Wright, and a discussion on "Dispensaries" was led by Dr. J. C. McCracken and afterwards freely discussed by other members of the Association. It was formally decided that the Association enter into the scheme for the opening of the Union Medical College at Canton Christian College in 1912, beginning the first of the Chinese year. It was voted to ask the Union Medical School's Board to provide the equipment, the Association agreeing to provide the running expenses. There will be six foreign and two or three native teachers, and all the teaching will be done in the Chinese language.

A feature of the occasion was the annual picnic, given by the temporary residents of the Island in honour of the S.C.M.A. The beautiful spread was enjoyed by all, the place of meeting being the slope east of Dr. McCracken's residence. Between the courses all were highly entertained by a spicy speech from Rev. Mr. Anderson of the Wesleyan Mission, Wuchow, whose sparkling wit and humour scintillated with his accustomed brilliancy. The speech was gracefully replied to by President Todd on behalf of the Association.

As dark was coming on the crowd repaired to the home of Dr. McCracken, where a pleasant evening was spent in the enjoyment of songs and solo rendered by various members of the community.

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DICKENS was one of the most acceptable after-dinner speakers of his day; THACKERAY, for all his magnificent presence, perhaps the poorest. A good story is told in this connection by Mr FIELD, the American publisher. A big public meeting had been organised in Manchester to ventilate some question then greatly stirring the people of England. Both THACKERAY and DICKENS were pressed to speak and both accepted. On the day of the meeting, Mr FIELD travelled down to Manchester with THACKERAY and on the way was regaled with choice bits of the speech which the novelist intended to deliver. At the meeting DICKENS made a speech which carried the audience off its feet and he sat down amid thunders of applause. Then THACKERAY was called upon. With great deliberation he rose, and began slowly and majestically to deliver his oration. But hardly had the first three sentences passed his lips than his courage failed, he faltered, then incontinently sat down. Returning to London that night he said to FIELD, "My boy, do you understand how narrowly you've missed hearing the greatest oration you were ever likely to hear in your life?" So with a laugh he dismissed the matter. Such a breakdown, had it occurred to DICKENS, would almost have broken his heart. "Michael Angelo Titmarsh" was endowed with a finer spirit than many in the world which knew him personally could quite understand. Being himself tenderly framed, he took refuge, like the hermit crab, in a shell that was not his own, and so many misconceptions arose concerning him. That DICKENS was no jealous rival is proved by the insignificant tribute which he paid to his memory immediately after THACKERAY's sudden and unexpected death, while many letters and memoirs published in recent years testify to the fact that THACKERAY fully realised and understood the genius of CHARLES DICKENS.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Mac Cheung sends us several capital photographs of the ceremony of Trooping the Colours on the Cricket Ground yesterday.

Mr Mars, who fell from a height of 50 feet and sustained serious injuries during an aviation meeting in Pennsylvania, is recovering. Mr Mars passed through Hongkong some months back.

We understand, says the Queen's College magazine, that during the forthcoming summer vacation our venerable pile is to undergo a thorough "rebit" at the capable hands of the P.W.D.

The *Yellow Dragon*, understands that Mr F. Ellis and Mr B. James are collaborating on a serial story which is to be full of local colour. The only difficulty at present is that the authors cannot agree as to whether a schoolmaster or a schoolboy shall be the hero.

The members of the Shanghai M.P. Shooting Club recently presented a hand some silver cup to the crew of H.M.S. *Flora* to be competed for among themselves. The cup, which must be won three times before becoming the property of the winner, has just been won by Seaman Gibbey with scores of 88, 92 and 83.

The annual report of Pacific Mail Steamship Company for the year ended April 30 shows a deficit of nearly \$200,000. The receipts for 1911 amounted to \$4,974,919, and the disbursements to \$4,819,638, leaving a net income of \$155,181, against which a sum of \$354,467 is charged for repairs, etc., to steamers, leaving a deficit of \$199,276.—*London and China Express.*

Of all diversities of bachelor tax, the most ingenious comes from Illinois, where collate men over thirty-five years of age will be asked to pay \$2 a year to a fund out of which each mother will receive a gratuity of \$20 for every child born after two years of married-life. That is worthy of the British House of Commons, says a writer to *M.A.P.*, but I think it would be better to award the gratuity for each child after the first. The period of two years might work out cozily.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

To-day's quotation for Para rubber, per Messrs Yemon and Smyth, is 4s. 5d.

The Bandmann Co. left for Manila yesterday by s.s. *Rubi*.

A quantity of tarpaulin value \$500 and three gowns have been stolen from the s.s. *Dunedin*.

Two splendid full-plate photos of the Trooping of the Colours ceremony have been sent us by A Fong, the well-known photographer.

The body of a Chinese male, aged about 50 years, was picked up in Queen's Street and sent to the mortuary. Deceased had the appearance of being a coolie.

Says the *Times of India*—We have had many eccentric monsoons in India, but, unless there is an early return to orthodoxy, this of 1911 will take the palm.

Two cases of plague are notified to-day, making the year's total 243. One is an Indian constable at the Central Police Station. This is the first non-Chinese case this year.

In our advertisement columns Messrs Whiteway, Laidlaw and Co., Ltd. are offering readers of the *China Mail* Knopp, maza and ladies' stockings at specially reduced prices.

An oil portrait of H. E. the Governor, presented by the late Sir H. N. Mody, will be unveiled by the Head Master in Queen's College Hall on Saturday next at 11 a.m. Visitors will be cordially welcomed.

Archbishop Bourne will preside over the second National Catholic Congress which opens at Newcastle-on-Tyne to-morrow. The Duke of Norfolk and other leading Roman Catholics will attend. A civic reception will be given by the Lord Mayor.

The enormous disparity of the prices in the Calcutta sales between certified and uncertified opium has caused a consternation in the market. The quantity of uncertified opium sold in excess of the visible demand, and is calculated to encourage extensive smuggling, for which Hongkong and Singapore will probably be the bases.—*Singapore Free Press.*

The *Night-Night* learns that the Chinese Minister of Posts and Communications is awaiting the time to ripen for state ownership and operation of the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company. It is stated that he fears to propose the change to-day, because it will arouse opposition among the public and shareholders. He is rumoured to be negotiating with American capitalists for a loan of 10,000,000 taels which is to be used for the expansion of the company; but according to another account, Japanese capitalists will undertake the loan and have already started negotiations with Peking.

The report has been issued of the official inquiry into the loss of the steamer *Inverack*, of Liverpool, which stranded on a reef near the island of Juan de Nova Mozambique Channel, on March 22 last, and was totally lost. The *Inverack*, which carried a cargo of steel rails and bridge work, was on a passage from New York to Moji. In delivering judgment the Court found that the *Inverack* during her passage from Natal up to the time of her stranding was navigated in a most careful and seamanlike manner. All the customary observations were carefully taken, and every precaution adopted in order to ensure the safety of the vessel. But after 4.30 p.m. on March 22 the vessel came within the scope and influence of a current which set her to the eastward, and as a result the vessel struck on the reef. A good look-out was kept and maintained. The Court and assessors were of opinion that no blame attached to the master or to anyone on board the *Inverack*.

IN THE COURTS.

A Chinaman, who returned from banishment, was sentenced to one year's imprisonment.

An Indian assistant warder was charged with stealing a blanket. The case was remanded.

A fisherman from Yaumati was fined \$50 by F. A. Hazeland at the Magistrate's Court for being in unlawful possession of coal.

A fine of \$10 was imposed on a native from Yaumati for assault. It appears that a canary flew into defendant's house and the owner followed it there when defendant assaulted him.

Detective Sergeant Wills prosecuted fourteen men for being concerned in an opium divan at No. 30, Canton Road, Kowloon. The keeper was fined \$150 or six weeks' imprisonment and the remainder \$2 or seven days each.

Wong Fat, of No. 4, Victoria Street, was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood with having in his possession unwholesome food. The case was remanded. Sanitary Inspector Coombes appeared to prosecute. Sixty-seven tins of food were seized.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

To-morrow is the thirty-ninth anniversary of the birthday of King Haakon VII of Norway.

Mr R. J. Birbeck of Queen's College is about to take a short trip Home. He expects to be away only four months.

Rev. G. A. Bunbury, Mr H. L. Logan, Mr and Mrs J. P. Lawrie and Capt. Arthur were passengers to Manila by the *Rubi* yesterday.

Capt. and Mrs J. H. Armstrong are returning to the Colony by the P. & O. s.s. *Mooltan* which connects with the *Aracatia* at Colombo.

His friends on the China coast will be glad to hear that Lieut. P. A. Talbot, R.N.R., late chief officer of the China Navigation Company's steamer *Essex*, having completed his twelve months in the navy, has now joined the mail steamer *Matina* of Messrs. Elder and Fryer as chief officer. The loss of such a smart young officer from the China coast will be regretted, but it must be taken as the natural consequences of the improved conditions that are being established at Home.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Yesterday afternoon His Excellency the Governor received, by appointment, a deputation of Queen's College Prefects, introduced by the Head Master, Mr Ralph. The object of the deputation was to request His Excellency's acceptance of a specially printed leather bound copy of the Commemorative Number of the *Yellow Dragon* containing photographs of the Coronation festivities at Queen's College. The presentation was made by the Senior Prefect. His Excellency, in accepting the volume, warmly thanked the deputation and graciously acceded to their request that he would forward, on behalf of the pupils of Queen's College, a similar copy for the acceptance of His Majesty the King.

THE TYPHOON.

Last evening at six o'clock the red cone and drum were hoisted, indicating that the typhoon was more than 300 miles distant and situated to the south-east of the Colony. A warning despatched from Manila at 8.30 a.m. to-day stated that the typhoon was west of Balinguay Channel and was moving W.N.W., while the Observatory report issued at noon locates it at one hundred miles south of the Pratas Shoal, moving W.N.W. If the depression continues on this course it should pass to the south of the Colony.

THE TROOPING SEASON.

The programme of Colonial reliefs in connection with the coming trooping season has been issued.

On September 8th the transport *Scornali* will leave Southampton with the 2nd Bn. Scottish Rifles for Malta and drafts for North China. She will call at Gibraltar and on arrival at Malta will embark the 2nd Bn. Somerset Light Infantry for Tientsin. Hongkong will be reached on October 10th and the following day for Ching-wang-tao, where the Somersets will disembark. The *Scornali* will then take on board the 1st Bn. Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers and other details from North China and will return to Hongkong on November 1st. Here all these drafts will tranship to the troopship *Rehilla*.

The *Rehilla* leaves Home for the East on October 4th with drafts for Ceylon, Singapore and Hongkong. She is due at Hongkong on November 8th and will depart ten days later.

THE SHIPBUILDER'S STRIKE AT ABERDEEN.

The two men, who were arrested in connection with the shipbuilder's strike at Aberdeen, appeared before Mr J. R. Wood, at the Magistrate's this morning, charged with leading a strike. The case was dismissed.

Evidence was produced to the effect that the masters concerned were members of the particular guild and that they had agreed to pay 30 cents out of every \$100 contract towards a sick and accident fund but had neglected to do so. The two defendants had only gone and asked for the money. His Worship advised the masters to keep to the rules of the guild and told the men that they had better go back to work and if they had any complaint to petition the Registrar General.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

A bumper house at the Victoria Theatre on Tuesday night gave the Orlin Sisters an enthusiastic send-off on the occasion of a benefit performance in their honour. Rarely, if ever, have they been seen and heard to better advantage and in addition to the hearty applause accorded them they were the recipients of numerous bouquets. The Donnelly Troupe, who draw into themselves many friends and admirers on their first visit, are paying a return visit, after having won further laurels in Shanghai and Tientsin. Little Kitty is more charming than ever and last night she executed a remarkably pretty dance by herself. Her brother Tommy has improved considerably and gives evidence of much promise. Mr. Elsie Donnelly is a very refined artist and her song "When Sweet Maria was sweet sixteen" was with a great ovation. Mr. Donnelly is indeed good as an expert dancer. A number of interesting films were shown, on the screen and the whole performance was one of artistic merit.

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THE VETO FIGHT.

CREATION OF PEERS LIKELY.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)

LONDON, August 1. The Parliament Bill will not be taken in the House of Commons till the 8th inst.

Lord Lansdowne has written to Lord Camperdown pointing out that he has advised his supporters to abstain from voting when the Parliament Bill is returned to the House of Lords. For himself he declares that he will in no circumstances vote with the Government.

The newspapers consider that Lord Lansdowne's letter, in conjunction with the postponement of the Bill in the House of Commons, means that the Government will be forced to a limited creation of peers.

TO RE-UNITE UNIONISTS.

A private dinner is being given in the House of Commons to-night in honour of Lord St. Audries, formerly Sir A. Achand Hood, which it is hoped will re-unite the Unionist. Prominent men of both camps will be present.

LIBERALS ALERT.

LONDON, August 2. Lord Morley has issued a most urgent whip to the Liberal Lords in which he takes the unusual course of asking for a reply as to whether they will attend when the Bill is returned from the Commons.

"NO SURRENDER" PARTY FIRM.

LATER. The political situation has been somewhat changed by the enthusiasm with which a large body of Unionists is supporting Lord Halsbury's "No Surrender" party.

It is announced that there are overwhelming applications for tickets for the public meetings at Chelsea and Holborn.

Mr George Wyndham is among the speakers at Holborn. The greatest satisfaction has been aroused by Lord Lansdowne's letter.

DISTINGUISHED ARTIST'S DEATH.

MR E. A. ABBEY.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)

LONDON, August 2.

The death is announced of Mr E. A. Abbey, R.A., the distinguished artist. [Note—The death of Mr Edwin Austin Abbey, R.A., A.R., U.S., at the age of 69 years removes one of the most distinguished painters of the day. His fame is world-wide. Born at Philadelphia, U.S.A., he received his early training at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and in 1878, when 25 years of age, he came to England. Twelve years later he exhibited his first picture at the Royal Academy—"A May Day Morning." He was engaged in 1903 and 1904 to paint the official picture of the Coronation of King Edward VII. The late Mr Abbey was also a writer of considerable repute.—*Ed. C.M.*]

THE TROUBLESOME EX-SHAH.

ANGLO-RUSSIAN STATEMENT.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)

LONDON, August 2.

A message from Teheran states that the British and Russian Legations have issued an identical Note declaring that they have frequently admonished the ex-Shah to abstain from political agitation, and adding that since he is now in Persian territory they cannot interfere.

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(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)

LONDON, August 2.

Sir Arthur Young has been appointed to succeed Sir John Anderson as Governor of the Straits Settlements.

[Note—Capt. Sir Arthur Henderson Young, K.C.M.G., is at present Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements, a position which he has held for the past five years. His appointment will give great satisfaction. Fifty-seven years of age, he is the son of the late Col. Keith Young, C.B. He received his early education at Edinburgh Academy and later went to Rugby and Sandhurst. He was formerly attached to the 27th Inniskilling and in 1878 became Commandant of the Military Police at Kyrenia. Subsequently he held various civil appointments at Cyprus and at various dates from 1896 to 1906 he administered the Government of the island. He was married in 1885 to Lady Evelyn Anne Kennedy, daughter of the 2nd Marquis of Ailsa. He was made C.M.G. in 1897 and K.C.M.G. three years ago. The salary attaching to the office of Colonial Secretary for the Straits Settlements is £1,700; that of the Governorship £5,000. *Ed. C.M.*]

LONDON DOCKERS STRIKE.

SERIOUS DEVELOPMENTS.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)

LONDON, August 2.

The London dockers' dispute has developed seriously. At noon yesterday all the men employed at Tilbury Docks, except those under the Port of London Authority, had struck.

The number affected is said to run into thousands.

CHINESE CURRENCY REFORM.

IMPORTANT MEETINGS IN LONDON.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)

LONDON, August 2.

Meetings are proceeding in London to consider the question of Chinese currency reforms in accordance with the terms of the recent loan.

British, German, Chinese and American representatives are participating. In view of the importance of the question, the representatives are pledged to secrecy.

F. M. S. FEDERAL COUNCIL.

NO INDIAN REPRESENTATION.

(*Reuter's Service to the China Mail.*)

LONDON, August 2.

Mr Harcourt, replying in the House of Commons to Mr H. Ingelby, Unionist M.P. for King's Lynn, stated that the Government was unable to grant to Indians in the Malay States a representative on the Federal Council.

CHINESE STEAMER WRECKED.

19 LIVES LOST.

(*Wah Tei Fat Po's Service.*)

SHANGHAI, August 1. The s.s. *Chuk-Tung*, Chinese owned, has become wrecked at Ichang. Nineteen passengers were drowned, the rest being saved. The vessel has sunk.

RESTLESS CANTON.

VICEROY WANTS CHANGE.

(*Wah Tei Fat Po's Service.*)

Peking, August 2. H. E. Chang, Ming Chi, Viceroy of Canton, has wired to Peking suggesting that in the present condition of Canton an able Viceroy, such as H.E. Hsin Chun Hsin, should hold office.

The Cabinet has, however, decided to appoint H.E. Hsin to Yunnan in place of H.E. Li Ching Fang.

LAW REFORM.

ONE APPEAL COURT FOR EMPIRE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, August 2.

The House of Lords has passed, for second reading the Appellate Jurisdiction Bill.

Lord Balfour said the measure laid the foundation for a single Court of Appeal for the whole Empire by combining the Court of Appeal of the House of Lords and the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. He added that the scheme had the concurrence of the Imperial Conference.

HOME CRICKET.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, August 2.

In the match between Derbyshire and Leicestershire at Chesterfield, the latter county has been awarded, three points. The match had to be abandoned on account of rain.

Kent, playing at Brighton, defeated Sussex by an innings and 129 runs.

THE ANTI-TRUST LAW.

BIG CORPORATIONS DISSOLVED.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, August 2.

A New York message says that, in order to comply with the anti-trust decision of the Supreme Court, the Standard Oil Company and the American Tobacco are arranging plans for dissolution. It is expected that these will be carried out before 1912.

Other smaller trusts are also preparing to end their corporate existence so as to avoid prosecution.

DROUGHT IN S. CAROLINA.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, August 1.

From Charlotte it is reported that 152 cotton mills in South Carolina have been shut down in consequence of the drought.

PHILIPPINES LEPRO TREATMENT.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, August 1.

A Washington telegram states that owing to a prohibitory law the Government is unable to accede to the request of Great Britain to be allowed to send forty leprosy from South America to the Philippines where the disease is being treated with marked success.

CANADIAN RECIPROCITY.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, August 1.

An Ottawa telegram states that Mr. Sifton, an ex-Minister, has issued a manifesto stating that he is not a candidate for election, but he denounces reciprocity and hopes that thousands of Liberals will be found, patriotic enough to put country before party and vote to preserve the true lines of national development.

THE ARCHER-SHEE CASE.

ADMIRALTY PAY COSTS AND COMPENSATION.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

LONDON, August 1.

Mr. Archer-Shee, who on July 20th, 1910, brought an action against the Admiralty on account of his son having been dismissed from the Navy for the alleged theft of a postal order, writes to the newspapers stating that the Admiralty, under the award of Lord Macnaghten, has paid him £7,120 as costs and compensation.

A chemist has recently analysed a sample of a silk dress that was submitted to him by a lady. He found that it contained only a fraction over 28 per cent of silk, and as much as was found in it as that present in poor tin ores from Cornwall. The tin occurs in the so-called weighing of the silk. The chemist states that he at once realised the fact that the silk dresses worn by the ladies in London, taken together, would represent a Cornish tin mine of very fair quality. An American contemporary, from which we take the foregoing, adds: "The silk dresses had examined would not stand more than three months' steady wear."—London and China Express.

JUDGE OBJECTS TO WIDENING HIS THUMBS.

The Yau Kwong firm sued Lo Kan alias Logan, before Mr Justice Gompertz, at the Supreme Court this morning, to recover \$75.17 for goods sold and delivered.

Mr J. H. Gardiner appeared for plaintiff and Mr Otto Kong Sing defended.

Mr Gardiner—My client is not here. His Lordship—I can't sit here twiddling my thumbs waiting for your client.

Mr Gardiner—I expect him here every moment.

His Lordship—If you had let me know I would not have come into court yet.

Mr Gardiner—I was cut there; I thought Mr Mirza, Clerk of Court, was outside and I was going to tell him.

A Chinaman then entered the Court and his Lordship asked "Is this your client?" adding "He seems very pleased with himself."

Evidence was called.

His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff with costs.

ATTEMPTED THEFT.

During last night, or in the early hours of this morning, a would-be thief entered the servants' quarters at Braxside and endeavoured to get away with a box of clothing. One of the coolies, however, was disturbed and seeing the intruder he made for him and tried his best to effect his arrest. In the scuffle which followed, the coolie had his head rather badly damaged and the thief hurriedly made off. Although badly hurt, the coolie gave chase but failed to catch the depredator. The police have been informed.

HYGIENE EXAMINATION.

Twelve Schools entered teams for the annual examination in hygiene, which was held on the 14th July last.

The highest place has been taken for the second year in succession by Belilios Public School with an average of 62.9. St. Joseph's College comes next with 57.3 and St. Mary's School third with 51. But St. Belilios School was unable to send in a full team of ten, the shield goes to St. Joseph's College.

DESTROYERS FOR CHINA STATION.

We were able to state in our yesterday's issue that it has been officially decided to appoint the river class destroyers—Ribble, Uak and Welland to the China Station. Below we give a few details of the vessels.

All three are torpedo boat destroyers of the same type. They were built in 1903. Each carries six guns and has a tonnage of 590, while the horse-power is 7,500 f. d. All are at present attached to the Home Fleet. Their designed speed is 26 knots, and their best achievements notified are: Welland, 26.24 knots; Uak, 26.1 knots; Ribble, 25.81 knots. They are due here in December.

COMPANY REPORT.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.

The twenty-ninth annual report of the Board of Directors of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, (Limited), presented to the shareholders at the thirtieth ordinary general meeting, held at the Offices of the Company, London, on Thursday, the 13th day of July, reads:—

The Directors now submit their report and statement of accounts for the year 1910.

The final result of the year's working does not reach the level which was at one time anticipated, although distinct progress towards a more profitable state of affairs can be recorded, and but for a severe financial crisis in Shanghai last summer it is safe to assume that the year's business would have shown a much better result.

The improvement which has taken place in freights in all directions has gradually extended to China; and absorbed much of the irregular tonnage which has for so long rendered freights unprofitable in the Far East.

The credit side of the Revenue Account (including £7,537.8s. 3d. brought forward from last year with an addition of a transfer of £20,000 from "Underwriting Account") amounts to £216,407.15s. 7d.; out of which £7,432.7s. 0d. was paid in November last in reduction of the preference dividend in arrears, and it is now proposed to further reduce the arrears by the payment of £22,315.1s. 0d., which will only leave outstanding the contingent liability attaching to the year 1910.

After making provision for this payment, allocating £56,379.19s. 2d. to depreciation, and £3,000 to reduction of expenses of debenture issue, and meeting all other outgoings, there remains a balance of £5,983.7s. 8d., which it is proposed to carry forward.

No additions have been made to the Company's fleet during 1910, and no building contracts have been entered into. Two of the Company's older steamers, the Amara and Hin Sang, have been disposed of during the year at satisfactory prices.

The retiring Directors are Mr H. Baxley and Mr E. H. H. Baxley, M.P., who, being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Messrs Turquand, Youngs and Co., the Auditors, retire and will be proposed for re-election.

NOTHING SUPERIOR.

An ordinary case of Diarrhoea can, as a rule, be cured by a single dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. This remedy has no superior for blood complaints. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

NOTES ON WILD LIFE.

In Hongkong and S. China.

(Specially written for the "CHINA MAIL" by Rev. G. A. BAXLEY.)

(Continued.)

REPTILES.

Sub-order Chelonians (Tortoises and Turtles.)

Tortoises and turtles form a well-defined group among the reptiles owing to their defensive armour. Geologically their antiquity is very great; their fossil remains are found throughout the whole of the Secondary period, thus being earlier than the crocodiles. At the present time their importance is less in the animal world than in past ages. "Of the various Zoological regions into which the world has been divided," says Dr. Günther, "the Oriental or Indian region is characterized by the number of fresh-water soft tortoises and Snooked tortoises, blind tortoises being scarce." The "Snooked tortoises" are so called from their power of withdrawing their head into their shell by an S-like bending of the neck in a vertical plane; they are thus distinguished from the "side-necked tortoises," found only in the Southern Hemisphere, which retract the head by bending the neck to one side in a horizontal plane.

The Snooked tortoises (Cryptodermes) are divided into six great families, of which the first (Testudinidae) contains both the common green tortoise, commonly sold in England, and also the giant tortoise of the Galapagos Islands.

This family has the following representatives in this region:—

1. Kam Kwai ("golden tortoise") so called from the yellow rings on the black ground of the head and neck. Length 4 ins. The front feet have five toes, the back four only. The upper shell, which has twenty-eight marginal divisions, is used in divination, and may after be seen on the tables of fortune-tellers.

2. "Snake's Head Tortoise" ("She Tau Kwai") found at Lok-fai, and other places where there is sandy soil near rivers. The bill of this tortoise is very strong. The Chinese consider it very courageous!

3. "The gold coin tortoise" ("Kam Kwai Kwai"). This may be seen any day in Canton in the poulterers' shops. The carapace is usually of a dark brown colour with a black line down the centre. The pate has a yellow patch which gives the name. The best of these tortoises, which are highly esteemed for the table, come from Shin Hing and Yeung Keng in the third and fourth moons.

The second group (Platydermidae) has a representative in the "Tai Tau Kwai" which has a huge head in proportion to its body, a strong horned beak; a fat shell, and a long segmented tail. It is aquatic and is found both on the West and East Rivers. Like most of the other tortoises, it is eaten by the Chinese as a delicacy. The third and fourth families (Mud tortoises and Snappers) are confined to America.

The fifth family are the Turtles (Cheloniidae); these may roughly be distinguished from the rest of this group by their inability perfectly to retract their heads, and by the modification of their feet into flippers never having more than two claws. The Chinese distinguish at least three species in these waters.

1. Ho Kwai (Chelone mydas?). This is considered sacred by the Chinese. Several years ago one of this species was caught and was being conveyed to Hongkong to be converted into soup, when the crew came forward and offered to subscribe to buy it rather than allow it to be killed. The turtle was put over-board.

2. "Tui Mui," found in the waters round Hainan. This turtle is not deemed sacred, and so the Chinese do not hesitate to eat it. The rims of the spectacles which give the old-fashioned Chinese gentleman so venerable an appearance are made from the shell of this turtle.

3. To this family probably belongs the "She Kwai," taken in the island of Ping Chan in the fifth, sixth and seventh Chinese moons. It also is held sacred, and, said my informant, "taken only by the Chinese when in company with Europeans."

The sixth and last family are the luths or leather turtles, probably not found in these waters.

The remaining sub-order are the fresh-water soft tortoises called Trionyx, from their characteristic feature, the claws on the three outer-most toes of their webbed feet. In this sub-order the shell is concealed by a thin continuous leathery skin through which can be seen and felt ridges and hollows of the shell below.

Being residents of fresh or brackish water, it is natural to expect them in the Canton Delta and in the great rivers of South China, where they abound, but are rarely seen save at night. They are very voracious and give a severe bite. Happily they do not in line grow to the size of the huge Indian "chitra" which is said to be very dangerous to bathers.

1. The mud tortoise ("Tui Kwai") has a black head and legs, the upper surface a light grey, exactly the colour of Canton mud. Length of carapace; 14 ins. by 8 ins. One of this species, brought from the Delta; used to live in the pond in the Bokan-Loi Garden.

2. The "Sand Turtle" ("She Kwai U") found at Hok Shuen, Shin Hing, and in the Delta generally. The carapace is nearly round, and measures usually 9 or 10 inches in diameter; its surface is smooth. The head is of the size of a shilling and ends in a snout; the eyes are small and visible; the claws are strong, the belly fat and white. This species is sold generally in the Canton market.

3. The "Shin Sau" (mountain tortoise) sold in the shops in "au" and "Kong-moon" but brought from Kwang-shi. The carapace 12 ins. long, is shield-like, of a dark

grey colour with rough ridges; the creature has six toes on the front feet, five on the hind. A bristly scale from the flesh, is used in certain bowel complaints.

Sub Order 2: LIZARDS.

Lizards almost always themselves on the attention of residents in South China. Their form is too well known to need description. They differ from snakes in having a long union between the ribs and left halves of the lower jaw, and usually in the possession of movable eye-lids. They are divided into twenty families.

The majority of the small lizards of South China seem to belong to the family Lacertidae; the largest lizard is a species of monitor, found among other places at Lantau, and often by the Chinese. The "King lizard" (Kwang Shu) is reported from the hills of Szechwan and Kiangnan. The small grass lizard is an article of trade, and may be purchased at the Recreation Ground near New Street, where bird fanciers buy it for their larks. Large quantities of dried lizards (Gekko verticillatus) stretched on bamboo strips are annually sent from Wa-chow, Kwang-tung, to the Chinese medicine stores in Hongkong. This variety is used in the treatment of liver complaints.

The Gekko family are so called from their cry; they are abundant in all oriental countries; in form they are depressed; the head and back are rounded with large scales, the under surface with scales. The pupil of the eye is a slit and there is no movable eye-lid.

1. The Flat-head ("Tas'uen She") common in Shingling and the West River villages; length 4-5 inches, back and legs dark grey to black.

2. The Kap Kai She, found generally in hilly regions, at Lok-fai, and the Kowloon Hills. Length of body 7 ins., tail 6 ins., back dusky, sides white with red spots and dashes. This species is often in the New Territory. One of these lizards has for several years haunted the Wah Shan Monastery at Lok-fai, where it is regarded with great esteem by the monks, who say it "has attained high rank" (in the priesthood). The name is given from its loud and penetrating cry.

3. I have also seen on the Kowloon Hills, but never succeeded in catching, a lizard about 3 inches long, with a rough skin; its general colour very dark green, with light brown, and dark red-brown patches. These lizards were usually found in the cracks of the rocks, and were very difficult to detect till they moved, by the similarity of their colouring to the weather worn surface of the granite upon which they were resting.

The Agamidae form the second great group of lizards found in this part of the world, there being at least one hundred known species. Their tongue is similar to the gecko, and like them they have no bony plates under the scales of the head. But the eyes, which are smaller than those of geckos, have movable eyelids, and the circular pupils. These lizards usually have a long tail which cannot be left in the captor's hand, and they have five toes on each foot. The Flying Lizard, said to be in the interior, belong to this family. It has at least one representative in South China. Calotes versicolor ("Ma Choo") (horse-man lizard) the ground colour a yellow-buff with seven brown belts; the name is given from four thoracic ribs with in the neck. Length, body 4 ins., tail 6 ins.

The Monitors (Varanidae) form a third family in the sub-order of lizards. They are found in Southern Asia, Africa and Australia, but not in the New World where alone Iguanas are found. (The application of the name "lizard" to these animals is a misnomer.) One such lizard used to be kept in the old Customs Station at Kowloon.

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NEW CHINA MERCHANTS' STEAMER.

Hongkong Dock Under-bidden.

The contract for the building of the new river boat for the China Merchants' Steam Navigation Company has been secured by the Kiangnan Dock, the next lowest bidder being the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, and the highest the Kawasaki Dock of Kobe. The following are the dimensions of the vessel:—

Length, over all ... 340 ft. 0 in.
Breadth, extreme ... 59 " 0 "
Breadth, moulded ... 47 " 0 "
Depth, moulded ... 14 " 0 "

Though she will be the longest ship ever built in China, she will not be the largest, the vessel now being built for the Philippine Transport service by the Shanghai Dock & Engineering Company having a greater displacement.

THE SAN FRANCISCO SCENIC ROUTE.

From Mr. C. Lacy Goodrich, General Oriental Agent of the San Francisco Scenic Route, we have received a little booklet entitled "Pinned, Furred and Feathered," telling all about hunting and fishing up in the Feather River, in California. This canyon is one hundred miles long, and is traversed its entire length by the Western Pacific Railway, over a grade which does not exceed one per cent. In fact the building of the Western Pacific through the Sierras is the engineering feat of the twentieth century, and was only accomplished by the expenditure of many millions. This is all the more remarkable when it is considered that for more than seven hundred miles between Salt Lake City and San Francisco the grade does not exceed one half of one per cent. To the traveller this means comfort, to the merchant quick freight service.

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OF CALL	Capt. H. S. BRANFORD	10th Aug.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE	SARDINIA	About	Freight and Passage.
AND YOKOHAMA	Capt. C. C. TALBOT, R.N.R.	10th Aug.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON & ANTWERP	SYRIA	About	Freight and Passage.
via Suez, PANG, CHINA	Capt. R. A. PUTKES	10th Aug.	Freight and Passage.
PORT SAID & BLANKE	SUNDA	About	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE	Capt. H. G. EVANS, R.N.R.	24th Aug.	Freight and Passage.
AND YOKOHAMA			

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"EMPEROR OF JAPAN" SATURDAY, 2nd Sept.	"EMPEROR OF JAPAN" SATURDAY, 2nd Sept.
"EMPEROR OF KOREA" SATURDAY, 12th Sept.	"EMPEROR OF KOREA" SATURDAY, 12th Sept.
"EMPEROR OF INDIA" SATURDAY, 22nd Sept.	"EMPEROR OF INDIA" SATURDAY, 22nd Sept.
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KOREA	18,000	FRIDAY	11th Aug.	at 1 p.m.
SIBERIA	18,000	SATURDAY	26th Aug.	at 1 p.m.
MANCHURIA	18,000	FRIDAY	8th Sept.	at 1 p.m.
MONGOLIA	18,000	SATURDAY	23rd Sept.	at 1 p.m.
KOREA	18,000	FRIDAY	28th Oct.	at 1 p.m.
SIBERIA	18,000	SATURDAY	10th Nov.	at 1 p.m.
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STEAMER	Tons	Captain	Date of Sailing
NIPPON MARU	11,000	H. S. SMITH	Friday, Aug. 18, Noon.
CHIYO MARU	11,000	W. W. GREEN	Friday, Sept. 15, Noon.
AMERICA MARU	11,000	A. G. STEVENS	Friday, Oct. 6, Noon.
TENYO MARU	11,000	E. B. BENT	Friday, Oct. 13, Noon.

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STEAMER	Tons	Captain	Date of Sailing
KIYO MARU	11,000	S. T. TONG	Tuesday, Aug. 15, Noon.
BUYO MARU	11,000	K. HASHIMOTO	Saturday, Oct. 14, Noon.
HONGKONG MARU	11,000	H. HOSOKAWA	Wednesday, Dec. 13, Noon.

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S.S. ALFESIA.....9th Aug.	S.S. LIBERIA.....9th Aug.
S.S. FREYENFELS.....25th Aug.	For Rotterdam, Havre & Antwerp
S.S. SUEVIA.....6th Sept.	S.S. NEGROVIA.....12th Aug.
S.S. BACHSEN.....20th Sept.	For Havre, Hamburg & Antwerp
S.S. BAYERN.....6th Oct.	S.S. SAKONIA.....13th Aug.
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	S.S. SILESIA.....21st Aug.
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STEAMERS	To Sail
TIENTSIN via WEIHAIWAI, CHIPSING, FRIDAY	Aug. 4, at Noon.
SHANGHAI via NINGPO, CHOESANG, FRIDAY	Aug. 4, at 4 p.m.
MANILA via NINGPO, CHOESANG, SATURDAY	Aug. 5, at 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBE and FOCKSANG, SUNDAY	Aug. 6, Daylight.
SINGAPORE, PENANG and KUTSANG, TUESDAY	Aug. 8, at Noon.
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SHANGHAI	Aug. 3, at 4 p.m.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	Aug. 4, at 8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Aug. 5, Midnight.
MANILA, CEBU & HOLO	Aug. 8, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Aug. 10, at 4 p.m.
WEIHAIWAI & TIENTSIN	Aug. 10, at 4 p.m.
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MARSEILLES, LONDON	IYO MARU, Capt. B. Takeda, Tons 7000	WEDNESDAY, 18th Aug., at Daylight.
ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	HIRANO MARU, Capt. H. Fraser, Tons 9000	WEDNESDAY, 30th Aug., at Daylight.

VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU & YOKOHAMA

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
AWA MARU, Capt. Iizawa, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 16th Aug., at 4 p.m.
INABA MARU, Capt. S. Tomimura, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 18th Sept., at 4 p.m.
SADO MARU, Capt. J. Richards, Tons 7000	SATURDAY, 12th Aug., from KOBE.

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STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
KUMANO MARU, Capt. M. Winkler, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 4th Aug., at Noon.
YAWATA MARU, Capt. T. Sekine, Tons 6000	FRIDAY, 1st Sept., at Noon.

SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
HAIRATA MARU, Capt. H. Nomura, Tons 7000	WEDNESDAY, 2nd Aug., at Noon.
WAKASA MARU, Capt. Nielsen, Tons 7000	TUESDAY, 8th Aug., at Noon.

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DELHI	8000	Aug. 5	Moldavia	10000	Sept. 3
DEVANHA	8000	Aug. 19	Morea	11000	Sept. 17
ARCADIA	7000	Sept. 2	Mongolia	10000	Sept. 30
DELTA	8000	Sept. 16	Mooltan	10000	Oct. 14
ASSAYE	7500	Sept. 30	Malwa	11000	Oct. 28
DELHI	8000	Oct. 14	China	8000	Nov. 11
DEVANHA	8000	Oct. 28	Macedonia	10000	Nov. 25
ARCADIA	7000	Nov. 11	Marmora	10500	Dec. 9
DELTA	8000	Nov. 25	India	8000	Dec. 23

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SHANGHAI	Capt. W. C. Pasmore	FRIDAY, 4th Aug., at 1 p.m.
HAIPHONG	Capt. J. S. Rouch	TUESDAY, 8th Aug., at 1 p.m.
SAIGON	Capt. A. H. Stewart	FRIDAY, 11th Aug., at 1 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY, 9th August.

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London

at s.s. Normand, from HAVRE

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at s.s. Ville de Lyons, in connection with above Steamers are hereby informed that their Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasures and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

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